# UNCLE SAM CALLS FOR NEGRO TRAINED NURSES

### PYTHIANS HOLD ANNUAL SESSION

Grand Lodge Holds TWO CONVEN-Meeting Here.

J. P. CRAWFORD PRESIDES Both Report Excellent Meet-

**Patriotic Service and Spirit** Prevalent--- Canvass For ONE AT NASHVILLE AND New Members-Excellent Reports Made.

The Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias N. A., S. A., E., A., A. and A., of tist State Convention ever held in the Jurisdiction of Tennessee held its the history of the convention. of Nashville, July 23rd to July 25th
inclusive. Despite the unfavorable time for travel, high-railway, etc.,

A large number of the delegates result of the successful agitation on left Tuesday evening over the L. & N.

R. R., arriving in the beautiful little everywhere, in demanding of the Adtime for travel, high railway, etc., one hundred or more delegates journeyed to the Capital City to legis-late for ten thousand Pythians in this state. It was all the control of the capital state of the ca this state. It was evident early in the meeting that these sturdy delegates came for the purpose of advancing the interests of the Pythians tizing lunch.

Prominent Pythians from every section of the state were present. The the messengers were provided homes, following Grand Lodge Officers were and before the convention adjourned infancy as well as nursing the heads present: Dr. J. P. Crawford, of Nash- the Baptist friends were begging for ville, G. C.; Rev. A. N. Stevens, Jack-son, G. V. C.; A. F. Shockley, Jasper, G. M. W.; J. H. Brown, Memphis, G. Rev. J. B. Ridley, called the meeting M. Ex.; L. Duncan, Chattanooga, G. to order and after devotions and ville, G. At'y. Tr'tees: A. N. Johnson, was beautifully illustrated by Mr. G. T. Clay Moore, A. S. Pyles. Pythian P. Baker, the superintendent of the Temple Commission, Wayman Wil- Mt. Olive Sunday School, Nashville. Board will remain



Of Nashville, re-elected Diputy B. Y. P. U. Convention. Grand Chancellor, K. of P.'s of Ten-

morning the most interesting conven- tered into by those present with an responding secretary; Mrs. B. tion ever held in this jurisdiction was called to order by the Grand Chancellor, Dr. J. P. Crawford. The morning session of the first day was given over partly to welcome addresses, but day afternoon. Every phase of the churches and auxiliaries represented mainly to organizing the Grand Lodge which was done in a surprisingly short time through the untiring efforts of Sir A. W. Fite, who was the chairman of the Credentials Committee. Rev. W. S. Ellington, the popular paster of the First Baptist Church in East Nashville, delivered a masterly address of welcome to the assembled knights. Rev. Ellington is actively identified with the order and is a member of Friendship Lodge L. C. Moore of Memphis, the Grand Master of the Odd Fellows of this state was called upon to make remarks. Several interesting packed to its fullest capacity talks were indulged in at this session. The appointment of Committees was

the morning session. The most interesting feature of the afternoon session was the address of the Grand Chancellor. His address demonstrated plainly his devotion to the order. His provisions for the safety of the institution in a time of war as suggested in the -address gives proof of the fact that he is ever watchful of the "safety" of a magnificent institution. But by recommending ways and means to keep Pythians "Over There" financial over here, touched the soul of every Pyth-This address will go down in the annals of Pythian history as one of the most fitting and Lodge.

timely ever delivered to a Grand The report of the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, Dr. C. O. Hunter, of Columbia was a most interesting and accurate account of the activities of the lodges throughout the Jurisdiction. The service of this since first he was inducted into the

The report of L. E. Brown of Mem-(Continued on page 8.)

ings Held and Large Delegations.

ONE AT CLARKSVILLE.

Saturday night, July 20, marked the closing of the most pleasing and

city of Clarksville before dark. The

kerson, Memphis, Chairman; Dr. S. The importance of a well-organized S. Caruthers, Nashville, Sec.-Treas. school and especially prepared and Promptly at 10 o'clock Tuesday | trained teachers and officers was leeply impressed.

Jr. Many very interesting plans shadowed the entire body. were discussed. The B. Y. P. U. After the adoption of the pro-

dent; Mrs. J. L. Harding, first vice and highly instructive. president; Mr. G. P. Baker, recording A provision was made that President of the Sunday School will mission work. be the Vice President of the B. Y. U., and the President of the B. Y. P. U. will be the Vice President of

gram, under the direction of Prof. cational purposes. H. B. P. Johnson, was rendered at

the Sunday School.

earnestness and fervor that seldom Warfield, treasurer, characterizes these public exercises. conventional work was considered and more enthusiasm shown than and recommendations offered to ever before. broaden the state work and make

better plans for the carrying on of the work. That able document will be given our readers in the next is-The program was so amended as to have Rev. P. D. Dennis, of Guthrie, Ky., preach the doctrinal sermon Thursday night. Rev. Dennis is a forceful and eloquent speaker. He held the vast audience spellbound throughout the entire discourse. The auditorium of the large church was

many were forced to remain on the outside. This sermon of this able completed before the adjournment of divine will long be remembered by all who heard it. Friday the different Boards made

their reports which showed much progress made during the year. Friday night, Dr. C. H. Clark of Nashville preached an educational the auditorium was packed to over sermon. As on the previous nights, the auditorium was packed to overflowing. Dr. Clark is an orator no mean ability. He delivered his great message with the fervor and eloquence which characterized and places him in a class with but

few equals. Mrs. C. J. White, of Nashville, favored the audience with a vocal selection. Mrs. White has a voice of superior quality. One having once heard her sing is ever desirous of hearing her again.

The sessions Saturday were de voted to the finishing of all business and a visit to the Clarksville Normal Saturday night a musical and litera ry program was rendered under the grand officer has been the very best direction of Prof. Johnson. The following are the officers elected for the year: Rev. J. L. Harding, president; Rev. A. W. Porter, first vice presiphis showed that the endowment dent; Rev. M. W. Tyler, second vice board was in a healthy condition and president; Rev. H. M. Burns, secretary; Rev. C. H. Clark, treasurer;

## Heroic Work of Women of the Race CALANTHES MEET Now Being Recognized.

### TIONS MEET. RED CROSS UNIFORM WILL PROBABLY BE WORN IN BASE HOSPITALS AND ON BATTLEFIELDS FOR FIRST TIME BY MEMBERS OF RACE.

Washington D. C., July 22.-Special, patriotic call, it is thought that the statement from Emmett J. Scott, to the Nashville Globe:

authorized calling colored nurses into Mr. Emmett J. Scott, the Special Asservice. This is an official announcement that was sent out today which that this is the,rst outcome of the has caused the people throughout the mediately handed out the statement nurses who have been registered by Theological and Training Seminary. country to rejoice as it has been the ministration the calling of the best nurses the world has ever known, ac- advanced to held "Speed up and win tablished at Camp Funston, Fort cording to tradition, back into service. It has been known for years, said one of the leading characters of the United States in a recent conference held in this city that the Negro woman has Regardless of the strenuous efforts on the part of the adversary, all of practically all of the white children of the South, caring for them in their Orders Issued by War Department of the families. "It was the black mammy nurse as wel as the black mammy cook that made America famous." He declared. And now that

> Rev. P. D. Dennis, statistician; Rev. ROOSEVELT of missions; Prof. H. B. P. Johnson, The Executive Board will remain the same except for vacancies filled.

the Secretary of war has made this

The Woman's Convention was called to order Thursday by the president, Mrs. D. A. E. Ferguson. A splendid The discussion of the B. Y. P. U. praise and echo meeting was held. work was led by Rev. J. T. Tunstill, The spirit of love and peace over praise and echo meeting was held.

effort will be made to give this work appointed and vacancies of the promore space on the next annual pro- gram were provided for. The afternoon session adjourned to hear the entire citizenship; and second, The following officers were elected address of the president, Rev. J. L. for the year: Rev. J. B. Ridley, presi- Harding, which was greatly enjoyed possible, and to end it by the peace. The other and equally important side

Rev. J. E. Elders preached an exsecretary; Mrs. M. C. Wade, corre-cellent sermon at night. The reports our Allies and to all well-behaved American, wholehearted and singlesponding secretary; Mrs. Annie Tal- of the various officers were heard nations of the civilized world, lasting minded in his loyalty to this country, ey, treasurer. The same Executive Friday. The president delivered a relief from the threat and horror of no matter what his birthplace, nationwith vacancies filled, that splendid message in the form of her German world dominion. served last year, will serve this year. annual address. It showed careful the preparation and great interest in the

Saturday morning the Executive nationality. There must be no per-Board met and made the report of petuation in this country of parate the Auxiliary to the Parent Body national groups, with their eparate absolutely loyal. They have furnish-languages and special localities to A splendid musical and literary pro- half the money raised was for edu alien oversea flags. There can be no tion of the fighting men of our army opening of school.

The following officers were elect- try. There is room here only for 100 of course it is the fighting men who night, closing the Sunday School and ed: Mrs. D. A. E. Ferguson, presi- per cent Americanism, only for those meet and furnish the highest test of dent; Mrs. Mary Bolden, first vice who are Americans and nothing else. Thursday morning was the opening president; Mrs. M. C. Wade, second of the "Parent Body' of the Conven-vice president; Mrs. A. V. Marshall, tion. The devotions and praise serv- secretary; Mrs. C. J. White, assistant ce beginning each session were en- secretary; Mrs. J. L. Harding, cor-

Thus closed the grandest meet-The President, Rev. J. L. Harding, ing ever held by the State Convendelivered his annual address Thurs- tion. More money was raised, more

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NEWS FROM 24th INFANTRY COLUMBUS NEW MEXICO.

the Medical Department returned Sunday evening from Nashville, Tenn., after a trip home to be present and atend the funeral of his mother. He has the sympathy of the entire Regiment in these his hours of greatest bereavement.

Dr. Lewis M. Mitchell graduate from the Dental Department of Meharry, Class '17, is now serving in our Medical Detachment. He has been conected with this Regiment for about 7 weeks.

Sgt William R. Warren, band master of the famous 24th Infantry band has recently received his Commission as 2nd lieut. We now are fortunate in having two Commissioned men of loyal to the American flag to try to Color. We enjoy breaking it off to

On Saturday and Sunday our crack and red flags which symbolize either anarchy or else treacherous hostility Regimental Base Bass Team crossed bats with the All Star Team from Fort Bliss, El Paso. On Saturday, our boys lost 9 to 5, but on Sunday we came back tenaciously and won from the team of the other race by a score of 5 to 4. Both games were filled with thrills and kept one on his toes throughout. Fully 3000 interested fans witnessed the games. Our team will go to Fort Bliss in short to play return games. Pvt. Earnest Hart of Company "L"

was accidentally shot in the head Monday, the shot resulting fatally to carry water on both shoulders, to The deceased was given a complete try to conciliate any half American military funeral from the Camp to the train. We deeply deplore the loss. Pvt. Ury Dillingham of Company

has been transfered to the Medi-(Continued on page 8.)

call will be answered and that several thousand women, representing the of Secretary Baker. It is supposed sistant to the Secretary of war imrecent conference of newspaper men and race leaders that was held some time ago at Washington, and it is the Army. Colored nurses wil be as- gro Baptist Theological and Trainthought that this is one of the plans

COLORED NURSES TO BE USED IN ARMY CAMPS.

Makes Opening for Hundreds at colored troops are stationed. Gen- special efforts for its success. Six Base Hospitals in This Country-Many May Go Overseas.

partment authorizes the following the American Expeditionary Forces.

DR. J. P. CRAWFORD,

We must have loyalty to only one

flag, the American flag; and it is dis-

be loyal to any other, whether that

other is a foreign flag or the black

to all for which this nation stands

There is room in this country for

but one language, the language of

Washington's Farewell Address and

of Lincoln's Gettysburg Speech and Second inaugural; the English lan-

guage. Americanism transcends

every party consideration. No man

who is not 100 per cent American is

entitled to the support of any party

which is itself entitled to be con-

vote here at home, or to antagonize

any of our allies, or to serve Ger-

many by seeking a peace without vic-

tory, or a peace as favorable to her

as to the nations she has so brutally

sidered an American party.

the Declaration of Independence,

cellor, K. of P.'s of Tennessee.

Of Nashville, re-elected Grand Chan-

and unscrupulously wronged. We must set our faces like flint against all foreign racial solidarity in this SPEAKS country; we must treat the Hun within our gates as the worst traitor to this Republic; and we must treat agitation for a premature or inconclusive peace as treason to the Re-public. The German spy, the alien enemy here at home, and the even At Republican State Convent on, Saratoga, N. Y. fouler and more despicable native

special assistant to the Secretary of

War:

American who serves the oughgoing Americanization of our shoot every one of them who is to caught in a flagrant offense. win the war, to win it as speedily as This is one side of Americanism. of overwhelming victory, a peace is to insist that every man who which shall guarantee to us, and to shows himself to be a 100 per cent

al orisin or creed, be treated as on As regards Americanism, we must a full and exact equality with every insist that there be in this country other good American. The bulk of but one Nationality, the American American citizens in whole or in part of German blood (and I am myfifty-fifty Americanism in this coun- and navy as any other element; and sound American citizenship at this time. Moreover, in civil life they furnish their full proportion of leaders in the movement to insist upon a unified, an unequalified and an 1223 S street, N. W. undivided American loyalty to our Washington, D. C., July 24. it is deeply unpatriotic and of old-world nationality, nor any atagainst good Americans because of for and vigerously clamor for. their national origin.

tion if the nation cannot defend itself. devote all our energies is to win this war and to win it now. We must speed up the war. We must insist upon absolute efficiency in our war activities. We must insist upon a peace conditioned upon the complete overthrow of Germany and the removal of all threats of German world dominion.

We have across the seas a if colored nurses can be utilized to same "glad hand" that is accorded most gallant American army. The advantage among the American Ex- the favorite of fortune. He is the do not thrill with pride as he reads peditionary Forces in France. If the same interested friend after election of the feats of our fighting men in answer, now expected at any time, is that he was before. He loves the con-France. Moreover, at last, we have in the affirmative, it is expected that tact with "the boys" and his presence begun to send over enough soldiers to in the fewest of weeks, colored nurses everywhere has generated the highest count for something real in the will be found at the battle front over- degree of enthusiasm. At a great sacstruggle. We have begun to give seas. them some airplanes. As yet they The announcement of the acceptance any of his predecessors, and despite only have what cannon we can get of colored nurses for army duty at the handicaps of the war period, the from the French, and we could get the base hospitals in the camps where order has held its own in lodges the army across at all only by the the largest number of colored soldiers gained, lodges reorganized and lodges lavish use of British ships. But we are stationed was made by the Secre- with increased have seemingly made a real start in tary of War on Monday, through the lodges are noted at Emporia, Kansas, ship production and airplane production office of Emmett J. Scott, the over and at York, Pa., and a lodge has tion at home, and we actually have alert and highly efficient special as- been reorganized at Chester, Penn., several hundred thousand soldiers at sistant to the Secretary of War, with all recent happenings and illustrative the fighting front. We owe much of the co-operation of the Surgeon-Gen- of conditions of growth observable in this achievement to the work of the eral of the Army the wildest Senate Committee on Military Affairs; and we owe even more to the enthusiasm among all classes of the success of the German drive which 12,000,000 throughout the United Scott was the guest of honor at a began in March. At that time our States, and the action of the War De-monster "blow-out" in New York fighting army at the front was small-er than that of Belgium and (in spite your measure for every phase of a big reception by the order in D. colored (Coninued on page 4.)

TO OBSERVE NASH. DAY.

Great Rally at Training School.

BIG CHORUS WILL FURNISH EXCELLENT MUSIC.

Orders were issued today by the War biggest days in Nashville's church Department to the office of the Surgeon history. It is to be known as "Nashmediately handed out the statement nurses who have been registered by Theological and Training Seminary. The members of the many Baptist the American Red Cross Society, to render service for their own race in be present. This is the one great Ne

signed to the base hospitals now es- ing School to be owned, operated and controlled by the ground upon which this school stands, Riley, Kansas, Camp Grant, Rockford, the beautiful buildings and fixtures Illinois, Camp Dodge, Des Moines, belong exclusively to the Negro Bap-Iowa; Camp Taylor, Louisville, Ky.; tists. This school is supported by the Camp Sherman, Chillicothe, Ohio and Baptist family of America as it is a national institution, but because it is Camp Dix, Wrightstown, N. J. At situated in Nashville, the citizens these camps a total of about 38,000 generally feel it their duty to make

eral Pershing has been asked by cable whether the services of colored nurs-Washington, D. C. The War De- es can be utilized to advantage among Clark, the able pastor of Mt. Olive, the sermon for the afternoon. Short talks will be made by other eminent speakers. Five thousad people are expected

on the grounds of the Seminary Sunday to hear what is being said and see what is being done for the Negro Baptists by the Negro Baptists. Rev. J. L. Harding, the Editorial Secre-tary, said, "The Negro Baptists of Nashville have not had an opportunity to see and inspect this great college alien, building and campus, and I am con were discussed. The B. Y. P. U. After the adoption of the program, work was not given the time and conwork was not given the time and consideration as the Sunday school. An business. Various committees were to insist upon the absolute and thor- activities of spies and plotters is to sibilities of the race will loom up before them and their denominational interest and racial pride will promp every intelligent one to shoulder the responsibility willingly and cheer fully. The people will be Inspired last four weeks a Theological and Training Institute has been conduct ed with fine classes each day. had an average daily attendance of fourteen students in each class, study ing theology, interpretation of Sunday school, Teacher-training and Chris

> tian doctrine.' Some of the best pastors in and out of the city matriculated at the

NEWS OF THE NATION'S CAPITAL

By R. W. Thompson.

Bureau of the

country. These men are fit to fill The longdrawn out fight for Ne every civil and military position in gro nurses in the United States Army this country, from the very highest is at an end and victory is perched down. It is not only an outrage, but proudly upon the ramparts of the un- race. The trained nurses, number American to discriminate against many thousand, who have been registered will undeubaedly continue up to the them in any shape or way. We are thered with the American Red Cross last week in August, the triumphant all Americans together; and we must Society, awaiting their call to duty, re-election of Armond W. Scott as neither permit any divided allegiance are to have their chance to render Grand Exalted Ruler of the Order of in our citizenship, nor any attempt the service that their patriotism and | Elks at Baltimore is a foregone conto divide our citizenship along lines devotion to their fathers, brothers and clusion. The lodges of the District tempt to discriminate between or have impelled them to pray for, fight him and from every section of the

for its existence. The one task to kin. These camps are Funston, Grant credit and distinction. and each has a well-equipped base hospital. These nurses are assigned chair of this splendid order. from the registration lists of the merican Red Cross Society and all applications for service of this kind should be made to the officials of that orzanization.

The announcement is greeted with East and West. er than that of Belgium and (in spite youd measure for every phase of a big of its striking gallantry it build not helpful activity looking toward the lyn. winning of the war.

Holds Meeting at Colored Y. M. C. A

Most Churches Close Service MRS. C. E. BURKE PRESIDES

**Enthusiastic Reports From** all Departments Officers Elected Much Patrotism

The Grand Court of Calanthe held ts three days session in the Y. M. C. Building, July 23rd, 24th, and The G. W. C., Mrs. Cora E. Burke, presiding. The session proved to be a most interesting one. The econd day the G. W. C., Mrs. Cora E. Burke, delivered her annual address which was received with much The reports of all the applause. rand officers were excellent.

The Grand Officers were elected as ollows

Mrs. Cora E. Burke, G. W. C.; Mrs. Fannie Bridgewater, G. W. I.; Mrs. Clemmie White, G. W. R. Dep.; Mrs. Virginia S. Williams, G. W. R. D.; Mrs. Rebecca Lester, G. W. O.; Mrs. Johnnie Lee, G. W. E.; Miss Charpense with their morning and afternoon services for that day. Dr. C. H. Clark, the able pastor of Mt. Olive, will deliver a sermon at 11 o'clock and Dr. W. S. Ellington will deliver (G. W. P.; Dr. M. F. Colors, Cox, the sermon for the afternoon Short (G. W. P.; Dr. M. F. Colors, Cox, the sermon for the afternoon Short (G. W. P.; Dr. M. F. Colors, Cox, the sermon for the afternoon Short (G. W. P.; Dr. M. F. Colors, Cox, the sermon for the afternoon Short (G. W. P.; Dr. M. F. Colors, Cox, the sermon for the afternoon Short (G. W. P.; Dr. M. F. Colors, Cox, the sermon for the afternoon Short (G. W. P.; Dr. M. F. Colors, Cox, the sermon for the afternoon Short (G. W. P.; Dr. M. F. Colors, Cox, the sermon for the afternoon short (G. W. P.; Dr. M. F. Colors, Cox, the sermon for the afternoon short (G. W. P.; Dr. M. F. Colors, Cox, the sermon for the afternoon short (G. W. P.; Dr. M. F. Colors, Cox, the sermon for the afternoon short (G. W. P.; Dr. M. F. Colors, Cox, the sermon for the afternoon short (G. W. P.; Dr. M. F. Colors, Cox, the sermon for the afternoon short (G. W. P.; Dr. M. F. Colors, Cox, the sermon for the afternoon short (G. W. P.; Dr. M. F. Colors, Cox, the sermon for the afternoon short (G. W. P.; Dr. M. F. Colors, Cox, the sermon for the sermon short (G. W. P.; Dr. M. F. Colors, Cox, the sermon short (G. W. P.; Dr. M. F. Colors, Cox, the sermon short (G. W. P.; Dr. M. F. Colors, Cox, the sermon short (G. W. P.; Dr. M. F. Colors, Cox, the sermon short (G. W. P.; Dr. M. F. Colors, Cox, the sermon short (G. W. P.; Dr. M. F. Colors, Cox, the sermon short (G. W. P.; Dr. M. F. Colors, Cox, the sermon short (G. W. P.; Dr. M. F. Colors, Cox, the sermon short (G. W. P.; Dr. M. F. Cox, the sermon short (G. W. P.; Dr. M. F. Cox, the sermon short (G. W. P.; Dr. M. F. Cox, the sermon short (G. W. P.; Dr. M. F. Cox, the sermon short (G. W. P.; Dr. M. F. Cox, the sermon short (G. W. P.; Dr. M. F. Cox, the sermon short (G. W. P.; Dr. M. F. Cox, the sermon short (G. W. P.; Dr. M. P. Cox, the sermon short (G. W. P.; G. W. P.; Dr. M. E. Coleman, G. Med. R.; Kt. N. N. Reynolds, G. W. L.; Mrs. Kate Wilson, G. W. M.

Endowment Board-Mrs. Cora E. Burke, Pres.; Mrs. M. A. Sec.; Mrs. Clemmie White, Treas. Burial Bureau-Mrs. Cora E. Burke, Pres.; Mrs. Eliza McMillan, Sec.; Mrs. Estelle Jones, Treas.



DR. S. S. CARUTHERS Nashville, Secretary and Treasurer Pythian Temple Commission.

ARMOND W. SCOTT SLATED FOR RE-ELECTION AS HEAD OF ANTLERER HERO.

As matters stand today, and as they will undoubsedly continue up to the sons have for many wearisom months of Columbia, of course are solid for country the call for "Scott" is hearty At six of the largest army camps in and insistent. The present head of Americanism means that we are a the country, where more than 38,000 the antelered head will be chosen by nation. But it is no use to be a na- colored soldiers are stationed, a goodly an overwhelming mapority to succeed number of colored nurses will be as- himself in the office he has adminisif its sons cannot and will not fight signed to care for their own kith and tered during the past two years with which at this time we must all of us Sherman, Taylor, Dodge and Dix, popular Grand Exalted Ruler than Scott has ever occupied the premier's

The reason is not difficult of discerment. In the first place, Mr. Scott, while not lacking in properdignity, is proverbailly and naturally, "a good fellow." He puts on no "frills" and General Pershing has been asked gives the man in humble station the rifice he has visited more lodges than many other sections, North, South,

Last week, Grand Exalted Ruler,